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More on Relations with Portugal

The party Executive Committee, meeting yesterday to demonstrate support for Ceausescu's position at his summit meeting with Bulgarian leader Zhivkov, further signalled Bucharest's intention to establish relations with Portugal. Ceausescu informed the committee of his recent exchange of messages with junta leader Spinola and the results of the talks that his special envoy had with Spinola and other Portuguese leaders [redacted]. The Executive Committee thereafter resolved that "the Romanian people will develop their relations with the Portuguese people in the interest of the development of both countries." The expressed hope that the colonial people will be given the right to develop freely was not made a precondition for relations.

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